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SOUND AND LIGHT SHOWS AT MONUMENTS
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Will the Minister of CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the names of the important monuments in the country, State-wise;

(b) the names of the monuments in each State/UT where sound and light shows exists at present;

(c) whether the Government proposes to organize sound and light shows on more monuments;

(d) if so, the details of such monuments; and

(e) the other steps taken by the Government to attract more tourists to these monuments?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI AJAY MAKEN)

(a) There are 3667 monuments/sites protected as of national importance. The State-wise list of these monuments/sites is at Annexure.

(b) The details of monuments where sound and light shows exist at present are as under:
1. Western group of Temples, Khajuraho, Distt. Chattarpur, Madhya Pradesh
2. Gwalior Fort, Distt. Gwalior, Madhya Pradesh
3. Golkonda Fort, Hyderabad
4. Raja Mahal, Chandragiri
5. Red Fort, Delhi
6. Shaniwarwada,Pune, Maharashtra

(c)&(d) Yes, Sir. The monuments/sites where sound and light shows are proposed to be organized are as under:
1. Jhansi Fort, Jhani, U.P.
2. Residency, Lucknow, U.P.
3. Udaigiri Caves, Bhubaneswar. Orissa
4. Chittaurgarh Fort, Rajasthan
5. Kumbhalgarh Fort, Rajasthan

(e) The monuments/sites of national importance are conserved, preserved & maintained as per archaeological norms. Subject to availability of resources, tourist related amenities like toilet blocks, drinking water facilities, pathways, interpretation centre, publications counters, signages, etc. are provided at these monuments to attract more tourists.